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- In the region beyond the river Tisza (called Tiszantul), i.e., in the eastern part of Hungary, drafting of reservists has been ordered for the end of March 1952. The drafting is done by letter, and the official reason for it is given as "reschooling". The oldest age class affected is that of 1920. The order includes all age classes between 1920 and 1924.
- 2. Similar drafts, applicable to all branches of service, were made in 1951, and the duration was 3 to 5 months. The new drafts of this year seem to indicate that in case of war the government intends to use the older reservists who took part in the last war, after a careful political screening.
- 3. At the end of 1952, the Hungarian People's Army would thus have at its disposal the following reservists:

Age classes 1931 - 1923, each having 45,000 men 1922 - 1920, " " 25,000 "

405,000 75,000

480,000 men

Twenty-five per cent, to be deducted as safety

120,000

factor for sickness, deserters, etc.

Total 360,000

Total

Thirty per cent. again deducted as training formation, to cover the losses of the first three months

108,000

252,000 men

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∔.	From among this 252,000-man contingent the following units can be formed:	
	12 divisions, 15,000 men each	180,000
	4 Artillery divisions, 4,000 men each	16,000
	2 AAA divisions, 4,000 men each	8,000
	2 Technical brigades, 3,000 men each	6,000
	Tactical Air Force	10,000
	Danube flotilla, river guards	5,000
	42 frontier guard battalions, 600 men each	25,200
	Men in independent units attached to army or corps	15,000
	total	255,200 men

For air-raid protection the older age classes will be used for parachute defense and training formations.

5. A further increase of strength beyond the 12 new (sic) divisions mentioned above would only be possible at the expense of the training formations. It is, however, questionable whether the Hungarian People's Army will be in the position by the fall of 1952 to man the additional divisions with officers and noncoms in case of a mobilization.

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